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PHOTO COURTESY OF DEPUTY CHIEF PAUL SIEBERT

Frisco firefighters help with cleanup on a Shamrock, Texas, fire truck during their trip to west Texas to help with the grass fire efforts.

Frisco firefighters help battle west **Texas grass fires**

Deputy Fire Chief Paul Siebert didn't know where he would end up when he volunteered to help fight fatal wildfires devouring west Texas.

As luck would have it, he and six other Frisco firefighters were assigned to help protect the tiny town of Shamrock.

"It wasn't so much about learning to fight huge wildfires," said Paul Siebert, Deputy Chief. "It was about learning to appreciate peoples' needs in a crisis situation. They were terrified their homes were going to burn down," said Siebert.

After receiving a call for help from fellow Texans, Siebert, along with Lt. Colin Eft and Frisco firefighters Jim Ed Johnson, Jeff Morrison, Brent Steele, Lynn Stanford and Brent Raymond packed their gear and boarded a Frisco fire engine and ambulance bound for West Texas, where wildfires claimed eleven lives, 10,000 head of cattle and 960,000 acres.

Mid afternoon on March 15, the Frisco Fire Department received calls for help from state and Collin County offices, asking for firefighters who could volunteer to help battle blazes on the high plains of the Texas Panhandle.

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Frisco known for planning, developing

We are heading into a very exciting time of the year! Over the next few months, there will be numerous sports venues' Opening Day games; major tournaments and Grand Openings of new parks. There will be all kinds of fun activities for our Frisco families and visitors. In addition, the City Council will be considering approval of the Comprehensive Plan as recommended by our Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. On May 13, our general election will be held for city council positions, school board positions, Collin County Community College Board positions as well as the FISD and City Bond Elections. The next two months will be extremely important to the continued progress of our city.

In April, the first Opening Day of the Major League Soccer season will take place at Pizza Hut Park when FC Dallas takes on the Chicago Fire. The game will be broadcast nationally on ABC. The MLS season will also close in Frisco on November 12 with Pizza Hut Park hosting the MLS Cup for the second straight year.



Mayor's Message

Mike Simpson

The MLS Cup will be televised by ABC. In addition, there will be multiple games televised on ESPN, so Frisco will once again receive national and international exposure while our citizens have the opportunity to see the best players in the

In April, we'll also dedicate the new Rusty Greer field at Harold Bacchus Park, which features a new baseball stadium built to resemble Fenway Park in Boston, complete with our version of the "Green Monster"

April 9th marks the start of a week of premier youth soccer tournaments when teams from all over the United States and

the world come to Frisco for the Dallas Cup, which is recognized as the number one youth soccer tournament in the country. The opening game between Manchester United FC and Real Madrid CF will feature two of the best teams in the world. This tournament will bring thousands of players and their families to the North Texas area.

The Frisco RoughRiders will open its fourth season on April 6. Our ballpark continues to be recognized throughout the country as one of the top ballparks in the minor leagues. The Frisco RoughRiders, under President and General Manager Mike McCall, was recognized as the 2005 Texas League Organization of the Year. Look for another great year of family entertainment.

Comprehensive Plan Presentation:

At the March 7 City Council meeting, the 2006 Comprehensive Plan was presented to the council by a team of consulwho worked with Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) for more than 13 months to prepare the latest plan that will serve as the guide for the future development of the remaining 60% of our city. Frisco had previously completed comprehensive plans in 1982, 1990 and 2000 and our 2006 plan is just as important. A special thanks to the firms of Dunkin, Sefko & Associates, Inc., Townscape, Inc. and Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. which worked with the 23 members of the CPAC committee.

The commitment of our CPAC committee was outstanding! This group met beginning last January and met two to three times a month, not to mention it hosted numerous public meetings, focus groups and workshops seeking citizen input. Our heartfelt thanks to Pete Hosp, Chairman and Tracie Reveal Shipman, Vice Chair, as well as committee members Audie Adkins, Stanly Brasuell, Baxter Brinkman, Barbara Gallegos, James Gandy, John Hamilton, Steven Hulsey, Christopher Hunter, Geralyn Kaminsky,

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HOW TO REACH

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In March, the City of Frisco, the Frisco Economic Development Corporation (FEDC) and three of its corporate development partners were recognized by The Dallas Business Journal for Best Real Estate Deals. T-Mobile USA was awarded Best New Office Development. Baylor Medical Center at Frisco was awarded Best Medical Project and Pizza Hut Park was awarded Best Community Impact. (left to right) Calvin Hull, The Staubach Company; Angela Carrier, The Staubach Company; Lamar Hunt, Hunt Sports Group; John Wagner, Hunt Sports Group; Bob Allen, Chairman, FEDC & City Council member; Jim Gandy, President, FEDC; Joy West, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem; Tony Felker, City Council member; Mike Simpson, Mayor; George Purefoy, City Manager; Kris Worthington, T-Mobile; Steve Mills, T-Mobile; Keith Scott, The Staubach Company; Wally Thomson, T-Mobile; Jeff Turner, Duke Realty; Nancy Windham, FEDC

Early voting for May General and Special Election to begin May 1

General and Special Election will begin on Monday, May 1 and continues through Tuesday, May 9.

The City of Frisco has three Early Voting polling locations. In Frisco, voters may cast ballots at the Preston Ridge campus of the Collin County Community College, 9700 Wade Blvd. and Frisco's Fire Station #4, 4485 Cotton Gin Road (which is formerly Platinum Parkway off Legacy Drive).

Voters may also cast early ballots at the Collin County Elections Office, 2010 Red Bud Blvd., Suite 102, in McKinney.

Early voting hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Extended early voting hours are Thursday, May 4 from 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Saturday, May 6, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Monday, May 8, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Tuesday, May 9, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Council – Places 1 and 3 – are open. All positions on the Frisco City Council are "at large" positions.

Voters will also consider a proposed Bond package for the City of Frisco.

The General and Special Election will be held Saturday, May 13, 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. In an effort to provide voter convenience and encourage higher voter turnout, the City of Frisco will continue to offer three polling locations. Voters must cast ballots at their designated polling place on Election Day, only. Voters are encouraged to bring their voter registration cards.

For additional information. please contact the Office of the City Secretary at (972) 335-5551, ext. 124 or via email at Nparker@friscotexas.gov

City of Frisco Bond Election

The following is the list of bond propositions which City of Frisco voters will consider during the May 13 Special Election. Voters will be asked to vote "for" or "against" each proposition.

#1. 20 Million: Fire Department Facilities, Fire Fighting Equipment, Fire Trucks and Warning Sirens

#2. \$3.5 Million: Police Department Facilities

#3. \$8 Million: Public Safety Communications System for Police, Fire, Emergency Medical Service and other communications relating to public safety and emergency conditions

#4. \$100 Million: Street and Road Improvements

#5. \$8 Million: Branch Library

#6. \$2 Million: Heritage Center

#7. \$2.5 Million: Senior Center

#8. \$5 Million: Community Cultural Arts and Science Center

#9. \$4 Million: Public Parking

#10. \$1 Million: Improving and renovating the Frisco Municipal

#11. \$21.5 Million: Parks, Trails and Recreational Facilities

#12. \$22.5 Million: Initial development of the Grand Park Recreational Park and Open Space

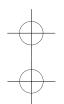
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Rod Kelly, Susanne Kerley, Clark Lund, Ty O'Neal, Robert Ouellette, Jeanne Patterson, David Schackmann, Stephen Sims, Lori Stroud, Richard Wilkinson, Jim Williams, Jr. and Jim Wilson.

The CPAC developed a mission statement as follows: Frisco is a City of excellence that honors its heritage and is committed to the present, with a deliberate focus on the future a unique community that concentrates on encouraging diversity, preserving the environment, and creating lasting value while maintaining friendliness, livability, and vibrancy. The plan is hundreds of pages long and is divided into eight key chapters. Chapter 1 is a Snapshot of the City and provides a background and foundation for the plan. Chapter 2 is Visioning and outlines the needs and desires of the City and our citizens. Chapter 2 utilizes numerous studies, questionnaires, focus groups and citizen input elements. Chapter 3, Principles & Actions, outlines the general statements of guidance concerning an aspect of Frisco's desired ultimate physical, social and/or economic environment. Chapter 4 covers Land Use Strategy and covers our existing land use characteristics, future land use plan, population growth projections, our Parks, recreation and Open Space Master Plan and land use poli-

The last portions of the Comprehensive Plan involves Chapter 5, Livability Strategy which details 18 different strategies that include such things as community design, connectivity, mixed use neighborhoods, housing variety, open spaces, urban centers and retail centers. In Chapter 6 a Transportation Strategy is covered including future transportation strategies, transit, hike and bike trails and future plans for rail. Chapter 7 details our Growth Strategy involving housing markets, impacts of state law on growth, expansion of public services, infrastructure and emergency services. The final Chapter 8, Implementation Strategy, is a detailed summary of all the recommendations that will implement the principles and policies that are shown in all the previous chapters. This chapter outlines both short and long term priorities. Comprehensive Plan will ultimately be available for viewing on our web site. Once our citizens have seen the detail of this plan, the comprehensiveness of the studies and citizen input, they will see we have a great plan for our future growth.

Frisco has developed, in a relatively short period of time, an excellent reputation for planning and then implementing the plan to build our city to a unique sustainable community. We are very fortunate to have a community of dedicated citizens who worked for more than a year to develop our new plan. We are also proud of our Planning and Development Services department led by John Lettelleir who has worked together with our consulting firms to develop a great guide for our future development.





In March, the Frisco Fire Department held its third annual awards banquet at the Frisco Converence Center, where both career and volunteer fire department employees came gathered with families, friends and Citizens Fire Academy Alumni to recognize excellence within the department. The keynote speaker was Captain Tom Atkin, of the United States Coast Guard. Capt. Atkin served as Chief of Staff in New Orleans for Vice Admiral Thad Allen, the Principal Federal Officer for Hurricane Katrina. Chief Mack Borchardt presented Capt. Atkin with souvenirs and gifts from Frisco to thank him for serving as the night's keynote speaker and one of several honored guests. (L to R) Brian Jetton -Firefighter of the Year; Michael Summers — Rookie of the Year; Lynn Stanford — Chief's Award Recipient; Capt. Shaw Eft — Officer of the Year; Chris Brown — Volunteer of the Year; and Jack Sides II — Paramedic of the Year. (Not pictured: Trent Schulze — Committee Award)

FFD Education Programs

The Frisco Fire Department is accepting applications for the following programs:

Citizens Fire Academy

7-10 p.m., Thursdays, March 23 - May 18

Community **Emergency** Response Team

7-10 p.m., Mondays, March 20 May 15.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Classes

Free CPR classes are offered bimonthly to Frisco residents and employees; 6:30 - 10:30 p.m., March 1 & 15 , April 5 & 19, May 3 & 17. Limited Class Size (20); Registration Required.

First Aid Classes

Free of charge to Frisco residents and employees; 9 a.m., Saturdays, April 22, June 10, Aug. 19, Oct. 14, Dec. 9; Limited Class Size (30); Reservations Required.

For more information, call 972-335-5525 or visit www. friscofire.com

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Chief Mack Borchardt and his command staff immediately began working to determine how much equipment and how many firefighters Frisco could spare.

"We sent and engine and medic because they needed equipment to help protect the towns and transport people, if anyone else got hurt," said Borchardt. Mack Chief "Anytime we get a call like this, we evaluate our needs here at home, reposition equipment and adjust shifts in order to answer the call of help. We're happy to pitch in because we know we could count on other fire departments to do the same for us if we needed the help," said Chief Borchardt.

Approximately four hours after receiving the call for help, seven firefighters were lined up to travel to West Texas. By 2 a.m. (the next morning) they headed to Childress, where the State Forestry Service established a command post. From Childress, Frisco Firefighters headed to Shamrock to assist the town's Fire Chief with any of his operations, including protecting buildings, establishing fire lines and shuttling water to Shamrock firefighters battling grassfires in the nearby, open plains.

"When they (Shamrock) were called to fight grassfires or provide mutual aid, the Shamrock Fire Chief left his town to us," said Chief Siebert. "Frisco firefighters, along with firefighters from McKinney and Keller, were the only fire protection the town had for hours at a time," added Siebert.

Siebert says he impressed by the community's spirit in light of the threatening situation and humbled by Shamrock's show of apprecia-

"We couldn't walk into any place without someone saying 'thanks', said Siebert.

In fact, Siebert says they were invited to participate in the town's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and received an award for "Judges Choice".

'There were lots of floats and decorations and we just drove our engine and medic," said Siebert. "But the townspeople were so grateful to us and McKinney (firefighters) for being there, they gave us an award," said Siebert.

"I'll never forget the experience and these people will never forget that Frisco cared about them and their problems," said Siebert.

FPD honors employees at awards banquet

The Frisco Police Department honored its employees, past and present, at its annual awards banquet, held March 11.

Congratulations to all of the recipients for a job well done! The Frisco Police Department would like to thank Dickey's BBQ, which donated a catered dinner, as well as Lone Star Trading, the Frisco Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association and banquet committee members for making this year's banquet a success! Chief Todd Renshaw presented the following awards:

Officer of the Year Officer Ken Endicott

Rookie of the Year: Officer Shawn Marthiljohni

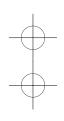
Supervisor of the Year: Sergeant Jason Jenkins

Civilian of the Year: Jean May, Dispatcher

Chief's Award Judy Knott, Clerk (Services Bureau)

Chief's Award Corporal Jason Ellis (Operations Bureau)

Chief's Unit Award Records Division



City of Frisco I

1. Wade Plaza Collector Road

Scope: Infrastructure improvements facilitating the future Recreation Center near Preston and Wade. Est. completion of construction is April 2006.

2. Independence Parkway (SH121 to Main)

Scope: Construct the western two lanes of Independence Parkway from SH 121 to Rolater and four lanes from Rolater to Main Street. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six lane divided roadway. Est. completion of design is April 2006

3. FM 2934/Eldorado Pkwy (FM 423 - DNT)

Scope: Construct the

northern three lanes and the southern three lanes of 2934 (Eldorado Parkway) from the Dallas North Tollway to FM 423, which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This will complete six lanes of an ultimate six lane divided roadway with. This project will be let by TxDOT, which will pay for four lanes. The City of Frisco will pay for the construction of the two additional lanes. Est. completion of design is May 2006

4. FM 353 Improvements

Scope: Construct 6 lane divided roadway from FM 2478 (Custer Road) to SH 289 (Preston Road), which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This project will be let by TxDOT, which will pay for four lanes. The City of Frisco will pay for the construction of the two additional lanes. Est. completion of design is July 2006

5. FM 423 Improvements

Scope: Replace existing two-lane asphalt roadway with six-lane divided concrete roadway with curb and gutter. Est. completion of design is May 2006

6. FM 2478/FM 3537 Intersection Improvement

Scope: Construction of turn lanes and intersection improvements at FM 2478 and FM 3537. Includes engineering design. Est. completion of construction is May 2006.

7. Coit Road (Lebanon - Rolater)

Scope: Construct the eastern two lanes of Coit Road from Lebanon Road to Rolater Drive. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six lane divided

r o a d w a y . Landscaping, irrigation, and street lighting are included in this project. Est. completion of construction is May 2006.

8. Main Street, Phase 4 (RR -Preston)

S c o p e : Reconstruction of Main Street with concrete pavement, curb, and gutter from BNSF Railroad to Preston/SH 289.

- 2 lane divided roadway from BNSF Railroad to South County
- 4 lane from South County to Preston/SH 289 Est. completion of construction is October 2006.

9. SH 121 Service Roads DNT to US 75

S c o p e : Construct 6 lanes of service roads from the Dallas North Toll Road to US 75. It also includes a grade seperation at Custer.Est. completion of construction is June 2008.

10. SH 121 Freeway FM 544 to DNT

Scope: Construct 6 main lanes and 6 lanes of frontage roads from FM 544 to Dallas North Tollway. Est. completion of construction is December 2007. Wednesday, March 08, 2006 ROW = Right-of Way. Land needed for roads, utilities, etc. Must be acquired through dedication or

11. SH 121 Freeway DNT to 75

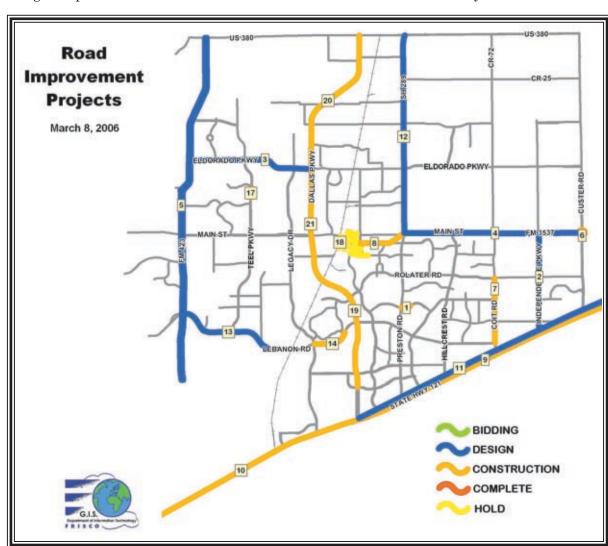
Scope: Construct main lanes on SH 121 from Dallas North Tollway to US 75. Current status is PRE-DESIGN

12. SH 289 (Preston Road) Improvements

Scope: Construct a sixlane divided roadway from U.S. 380 to Main Street, which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This project will be let by TxDOT, which will pay for four lanes. The City of Frisco will pay for the construction of the two additional lanes. Two million dollars of the City of Frisco's four and a half million dollar participation in this project pays for the previous construction of Preston Road south of Main Street.Est. completion of design is September 2006

13. Lebanon (Village - FM 423)

Scope: Construct the southern two lanes of Lebanon Road from Village to FM 423 including a three lane bridge at Stewart Creek. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six





Project Update



Above and right, images capturing the new City Hall/Library Complex, which is under construction in the heart of Frisco Square. The building is scheduled to open in the summer.

lane divided roadway. Est. completion of design is June 2006

14. Lebanon Road (Legacy - Starwood)

Scope: Construct the southern two lanes of Lebanon Road from Legacy Drive to Starwood Drive. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six lane divided roadway. Est. completion of construction is May 2006.

17. Teel Parkway Bridge

Scope: Construct the eastern bridge on Teel Parkway at Cottonwood Creek between Main Street and Eldorado Parkway. Est. completion of construction is July 2006.

18. Selected Old Town Streets

Scope: Reconstruction of the

following streets to concrete curb and gutter:

- South First Street from West Main to Ash
- North Third from Main to Maple
- South Third from Main to Ash
- North Fourth from Main to Maple
- North Sixth from Main to Maple
- South Sixth from Main to Hickory
- Pecan from Fifth toSeventhHickory from Fifth to
- Pebblebrook Current status is HOLD

19. DNT Phase 3 Section XI-N

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from Gaylord Parkway to Platinum Parkway.

Est. completion of construction is September 2007.

20. DNT Phase 3 Section XII-N

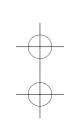
Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from north of Eldorado Parkway to US 380. Project also includes construction of the southbound service roads from Eldorado Parkway to US 380.Est. completion of construction is September 2007.

21. DNT Phase 3 Section XII-S

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from Platinum Parkway to north of Eldorado Parkway. Project also includes construction of the southbound service roads from Main Street to Est. completion of construction is September 2007.









Lend a hand to clean up our Land

Don't miss this chance to volunteer for your community. Join us for our citywide clean-up event "Clean it and Green it" which will be held on Saturday, April 22 from 8 a.m. – noon in the IKEA parking lot, 7171 Ikea Drive. You can sign up on the day of the event or preregister by calling 972-335-5555, ext. 192. Volunteers will receive a free "earth band" bracelet, while supplies last. Volunteers can pick up directions to areas in need of clean up, along with litter bags for collection will be available on site. Volunteers may also make arrangements to pick up prior to event day. IKEA will serve lunch preregistered volunteers. There will also be opportunities to win prizes - so sign up and make a difference to your community!

"Chunk your junk" joins "Clean It and Green It"

Residents may bring the following items for safe disposal, recycling or donation to "Clean It and Green It"

- Appliances, (refrigerators, freezers must be tagged freon free)
- Brush
- Carpets



- Cell Phones
- Computers
- Fax Machines
- Fencing
- Furniture
- Household Hazardous Waste:
- Paints, pesticides and solvents
- Printers
- Tree Limbs

Torn To Shreds

Don't throw sensitive documents in the trash. Brinks Document Destruction will be providing limited shredding services at "Clean it and Green It" for secure disposal.

Banner Year

The winners of the "What do you love about the Earth?" banner design contest among FISD elementary students will be announced at "Clean It or Green It" on April 22. Banners will also be displayed inside IKEA for everyone to see..

Left: A Median With A Message: Picture Perfect & Water Free

Driving north on Legacy? Check out the median at the Main Street intersection. Instead of the usual grass covering, the Parks Division landscaped this area with recycled wood mulch. Unlike its green counterpart, this product does not require water. Better yet, the recycled mulch is a by product of the city's green building program. Under this program, new home builders are required to recycle their wood rather than throw it away. The wood is taken to a recycling facility wherei it's ground, colored and bagged and offered for resale. For more information about this product, give us a call at 972-335-5519.

Breakfast with Rufus

Be sure to register your name and school to qualify for Breakfast with Rufus. This will be held at IKEA on Saturday, April 29th from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. Only registered students, from the school with the highest "Clean It & Green It" participation will be eligible for an invite to have a bite with Rufus.

Frisco moves to Stage 2, "voluntary" water restrictions

Now that spring is here and landscapes are greening, Frisco is moving to the established, Voluntary Water Restrictions for Stage 2, which includes asking residents to limit outdoor watering to two days per week, or less.

Stage 2 also asks residents to avoid outdoor watering between the hours of 5 a.m. - 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

"The recent rains were a welcome relief, but they didn't eliminate the drought in North Texas" said Gary Hartwell, Director of Public Works.

As a result, the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) anticipates moving to Stage 3 Water Restrictions by the end of April. Stage 3 water restrictions are mandatory and limit outdoor watering to once a week.

"If we're successful in our conserva-

tion efforts, we can avoid moving to Stage 4, which includes no outdoor watering, with the exception of soaker hoses for foundations" said Hartwell.

Where possible, use soaker hoses and hand-held hoses instead of automatic sprinkler systems. Using soaker hoses for foundation moisture maintenance is recommended by all Frisco home builders.

A special soaker hose promotion "Soak Up the Savings" will be running April 1 & 2. Local retailers: Home Depot, Lowe's and Shades of Green have agreed to take 20% off soaker hose prices during event dates, while supplies last. For more information, please contact Frisco Department of Public Works, 972-335-5520 or visit the City of Frisco website at www.frisco texas.gov.





Senior Center Spotlight

FLOOR YOGA

Reduce stress, increase strength, flexibility, and general well being through proper breathing, bending, twisting, and stretching exercises, while learning relaxation techniques. This is a beginning Yoga class for persons with no experience. The class is designed for persons who have sufficient mobility and/or range of motion to be able to do bending, stretching, and twisting movements based upon the capability of the individual (modifications are presented for those who can't complete the full pose). Supplies needed: mat, cloth strap, and Styrofoam block. Ten participants are needed, so please tell your friends!

DATES DAY TIME kl4/4 – 4/2710 – 11 a.m. T/Th (8 classes) Fee: \$40 (8 classes) Instructor: Bob Geller, Certified

Instructor, AAAI

FREE **AEROBICS**

Get up and get moving with your pals at the Senior Center. Stop by and join us for free aerobics on the big screen. Bring your favorite exercise video to share with the group. The videos will be switched periodically so you will get a total body workout. DAY DATE TIME M/W/F 8:30—9:15 a.m. Monthly

SITTING PRETTY— **CHAIR AEROBICS**

Do you want to keep flexible and moving, but can't take the impact of aerobics? Come and participate in chair aerobics at the Center. This is a low-impact exercise class and ideal for Seniors of any age. TIME DAY DATE

M/W/F Weekly 9:30—10 a.m.

Fee: Free

Instructor: Martha Eggleston

THE MAGIC OF WATERCOLOR **STAMPING**

Do you love the look of watercolors? Find out how to stamp images using watercolors instead of pigment oils. We'll also use other watercolor techniques

to color the images as we create springtime greeting cards. Don't let a lack of

experience or supplies keep you from taking the class. You may borrow my supplies, if you need to. Basic supplies to bring: scissors, adhesive, good brush (synthetic #6, or #8 round), Prang watercolors.

DATES TIME 4/5 & 4/12 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Fee: \$20

Instructor: Sharon Robbins

UPCOMING TRIPS 55th Annual Ennis Bluebonnet Trails Festival

Friday, April 21 • 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Fee: \$20 (bring money for lunch and

Join us for this day trip to Ennis, to help celebrate their annual Bluebonnet Festival. In addition to a driving tour of local parks and trails highlighting Texas Bluebonnets in their prime, we will visit the festival grounds, where hundreds of crafters will offer their handmade crafts and original artwork for sale, with dozens of food vendors offering all types of tasty items. After lunch and shopping, we will tour the Ennis Railroad and Cultural Heritage Museum. Fee includes charter bus transportation and museum admission. We'll take the first 45 participants who sign up.

MEYERSON CHART-TOPPER CONCERT: GERSHWIN'S GREATEST HITS

Friday, April 28 • 6:30 – 11 p.m.

The Dallas Symphony Orchestra will

present a lively tribute to the music of George Gershwin, one of America's greatest composers and song writers. Come here some of his favorites, to include: Strike Up the Band, Rhapsody in Blue, I Got Rhythm, Love is Here to Stay, Swanee, and music from Girl Crazy.

SCARBOROUGH FAIRE RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

Saturday, May 6 • 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Fee: \$40 (bring money for lunch and

We will travel by charter coach to Waxahatchie, to visit the Scarborough Faire Renaissance Festival, a recreated 16th Century English village in the time of King Henry VIII. Thrill to the thundering horses hooves and the crash of the lance on the shield at the joust. With 20 stages of live entertainment, 200 shoppes featuring handcrafted, one-of-a-kind merchandise, games of skill, human-powered rides and dozens of types of food and beverage available, you'll feel like King Henry himself! Fee covers charter bus and faire admission only. Wear your walking shoes and bring a few shillings for food, drink and shopping. Registration deadline is Wednesday, April

FRISCO ROUGHRIDERS BASEBALL -SENIOR CITIZENS DAY

Wed., May 10 • 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Fee: \$17 for van riders (first 12), \$15 for

drive-yourself

Watch our Frisco RoughRiders host the Wichita Wranglers at the Dr. Pepper/7 Up Ballpark in their only morning game of the season. The game starts at 11 a.m., and we'll sit in the group seating area behind home plate (between the dugouts). Ticket price includes transportation (\$15 if you drive yourself), game ticket and program, and a meal, including a hot dog, soft drink and

chips. Come celebrate Senior Day 2006 with the RoughRiders, for a morning of professional baseball at its best. Registration deadline is Monday, April 24.

GRANBURY LUNCHEON CRUISE AND OPERA HOUSE

Sat., May 20 • 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Fee: \$72 (bring extra money for dinner)

We've taken our favorite May trip to Granbury, moved it to a Saturday and chartered a 45-passenger bus, so that more seniors can enjoy this great trip. We'll leave early, arriving in Granbury for our two-hour luncheon cruise aboard the new 96-foot "Star of Granbury" riverboat, on the Brazos River. Returning to shore, we'll be bused to the historic Granbury Square, for an afternoon performance of "The Magical Music From the Silver Screen," at the famed Granbury Opera House (now under new ownership). After the show, we'll eat dinner and shop on the Square, before heading home. Fee covers charter bus transportation, boat ride with lunch and your opera ticket. Wear your walking shoes and bring money for shopping and dinner (your choice of restaurant). Registration deadline is Friday, April 28.

MEYERSON CHART-TOPPER CONCERT: THE KINGSTON TRIO Friday, May 26 • 6:30 – 11 p.m.

Fee: \$34

Though the musicians have changed since the band's start in 1957, current members of The Kingston Trio continue to exhilarate audiences with their distinctive folk ballads. Join the Grammy-winning group for an evening of their greatest hits, to include: Tom Dooley, Scotch & Soda, Greenback Dollar, Worried Man and Charlie and the MTA. Registration deadline is Wednesday, May 10.

Frisco Commons to feature 2nd Annual Rockin' The Park

The Collin County restock the shelves of Songwriters Association presents the second annual Rockin' the Park concert on Saturday, April 29th, beginning at 6 p.m., at Frisco Commons Park, McKinney Road.

Admission is FREE – but organizers welcome donations of at least one canned item per person to help Frisco Family Services.

A portion of CD sales at the event will also benefit Frisco Family Services.

The event will showcase the talents of local songwriters and performers from Collin County. Rockin' the Park is sponsored by our Parks and Recreation Department



Hometown Happenings

All meetings are held in the Frisco Council Chambers, Frisco Municipal Complex, 8750 McKinney Road, unless noted otherwise.

March 27

Municipal Court, 8 a.m.

March 28

Heritage Foundation, 10 a.m. Planning & Zoning, 6:30 p.m.

March 29

Municipal Court, 8 a.m.

March 30

Municipal Court, 8 a.m.



Eggstravaganza; Warren Complex, 10:30 a.m.

April 3

Frisco Public Arts Meeting, 6891 Main Street Main Conference Room, 6:30 p.m.

April 4

Municipal Court, 8 a.m. Downtown Advisory Board Meeting, City Hall Main Conference Room, 6891 Main Street, 12 p.m. City Council Meeting, 6:30 pm

Building Official's Quarterly Builder's Meeting

April 6

Municipal Court, 8 a.m.

April 10

Frisco Square Municipal Management District Meeting, Frisco Senior Center, 4:30 Municipal Court, 5:30 p.m.

April 11

Municipal Court, 8 a.m. Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

April 12

Municipal Court, 8 a.m. Convention Visitors Bureau (CVB), TBD, 12 p.m. Arts of Collin County (ACC), City of Allen 4 p.m. Housing Trust Fund, 6891

Main Street Main Conference Room, 7 p.m.

April 13

Municipal Court, 8 a.m. Parks and Recreation Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

April 17

Frisco Neighborhood Watch Block Captains Meeting, 6 p.m.

Municipal Court, 8 a.m. City Council Meeting, 5:30 pm

April 19

Municipal Court, 8 a.m. Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors Meeting (EDC), 6801 Gaylord Parkway, 6 p.m.

April 20

CDC Meeting, 6:30 pm

April 19

Municipal Court, 8 a.m. Urban Forestry Board, 6726 Walnut Street, 6:30 pm



Clean It or Green It Earth Day

April 24

Municipal Court, 8 a.m.

April 25

Heritage Foundation, 10 a.m. Planning & Zoning, 6:30 p.m.

Municipal Court, 8 a.m. Urban Forestry Board, 6726 Walnut Street, 6:30 p.m.

April 27

Municipal Court, 8 a.m. North Texas Municipal Water District Meeting, 505 East Brown Street, Wylie, TX,. 4 p.m. Frisco Public Library Foundation Board Meeting, Library Programming Room, 7 p.m.

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Eggstravaganza

Saturday, April 1 9 a.m.—Noon Egg hunt starts at 10:30 a.m. sharp! Warren Sports Complex Baseball/Softball Fields 7599 El Dorado Parkway

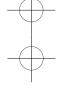
> Visit the Easter Bunny! Other activities include: Games, Crafts, Face Painting, Bounce Houses and much more!

Enter the Easter Bonnet and Tie Contest!

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